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Sir:

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application -- Filing Date Granted" dated October 3, 2001, a response to which is due December 3, 2001, enclosed herewith for filing is the original Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney, executed by the inventor(s). An unexecuted copy of this document, attached to the above-identified specification, was filed by Express Mail No. EL722985748US on August 23, 2001.

(XX) Other:

- 1) Copies of Figures 4a and 5;
- 2) Copy of return post card date stamped by PTO indicating receipt of 14 sheets of informal drawings containing Figures 1-6.
- () An Associate Power of Attorney is also enclosed.
- (XX) Small entity status of this application has been established on August 23, 2001.
- () A Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status Under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been forwarded to the Refund Section, Accounting Division, Office of Finance on ____. A copy of this Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status form and the Request for Refund form is enclosed for your convenience.
- () A credit card payment form in the amount of \$_____ is attached to cover the surcharge. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1619.
- (XX) Please charge the surcharge to my Deposit Account No. 50-1619 in the amount of \$65.00.
- () A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed.

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- · The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.

The following item(s) appear to have been omitted from the application:

- Figure(s) 4a,5 described in the specification.
- I. Should applicant contend that the above-noted omitted item(s) was in fact deposited in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with the nonprovisional application papers, a copy of this Notice and a petition (and \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) with evidence of such deposit must be filed within TWO MONTHS of the date of this Notice. The petition fee will be refunded if is determined that the item(s) was received by the USPTO.
- II. Should applicant desire to supply the omitted item(s) and accept the date that such omitted item(s) was filed in the USPTO as the filing date of the above-identified application, a copy of this Notice, the omitted item(s) (with a supplemental oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 referring to such items), and a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 (with the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h)) requesting the later filing date must be filed within TWO MONTHS of the date of this Notice.
- III. The failure to file a petition (and petition fee) under the above options (I) or (II) within TWO MONTHS of the date of this Notice (37 CFR 1.181(f)) will be treated as a constructive acceptance by the applicant of the application as deposited in the USPTO. THIS TWO MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). In the absence of a timely filed petition in reply to this Notice, the application will maintain a filing date as of the date of deposit of the application papers in the USPTO, and original application papers (i.e., the

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original disclosure of the invention) will include only those application papers present in the USPTO on the date of deposit.

In the event that applicant elects not to take action pursuant to options (I) or (II) above (thereby constructively electing option (III)), amendment of the specification to renumber the pages consecutively and cancel incomplete sentences caused by any omitted page(s), and/or amendment of the specification to cancel all references to any omitted drawing(s), relabel the drawing figures to be numbered consecutively (if necessary), and correct the references in the specification to the drawing figures to correspond with any relabelled drawing figures, is required. Any drawing changes should be accompanied by a copy of the drawing figures showing the proposed changes in red ink. Such amendment and/or correction to the drawing figures, if necessary, should be by way of preliminary amendment submitted prior to the first Office action to avoid delays in the prosecution of the application.

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